

January 4, 2022

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize City Manager, or designee, to accept an easement from Linc-Spark APTS LP, a California limited partnership, the owner of the property at 1900 Long Beach Boulevard, for alley widening purposes; and,

Determine that the project is within the scope of the Midtown Specific Plan Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse No. 2015031034), and no further environmental review is required pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15162. (District 6)

DISCUSSION

Linc-Spark APTS LP, a California limited partnership, the owner of the property at 1900 Long Beach Blvd, proposed construction of a five-story, mixed-use project with 12,388 square feet of commercial space, 95 dwelling units (94 affordable), and 141 parking spaces on a vacant site in the Midtown Specific Plan District. When significant new development is proposed, public rights-of-way adjacent to the site are reviewed for sufficiency to accommodate the new use. To conform with the City's general plan to widen alleys to a width of 20 feet, a 7-foot wide dedication is necessary. (Attachment A)

City staff conducted a review of the affected agencies and there were no objections to the proposed easement to be dedicated. The Planning Commission determined the project to be within the scope of the Midtown Specific Plan Environmental Impact Report (MSP EIR), State Clearinghouse Number 2015031034 was certified in June of 2016 and warrants no further environmental review pursuant to CEQA guidelines Section 15162. (Attachment B)

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Erin Weesner-McKinley on December 7, 2021 and by Budget Operations and Development Officer Rhutu Amin Gharib on December 9, 2021.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is not time critical.

FISCAL IMPACT

A dedication processing fee in the amount of \$3,388 was deposited in the General Fund Group

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in the Public Works Department. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

ERIC LOPEŽ

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

EL:RM:RL:MS

ATTACHMENTS: A - DEDICATION DESCRIPTION AND SKETCH

B - STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER 2015031034

APPROVED:

THOMAS B. MODICA CITY MANAGER

ATTACHMENT A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION DEDICATION

BEING A 7 FOOT WIDE STRIP OF LAND FOR STREET DEDICATION PURPOSES, LOCATED IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SAID PARCEL IS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEING THE EASTERLY 7.00 FEET OF LOTS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 AND 6, BLOCK 1 OF THE ALLEN-RHEA ADDITION TO LONG BEACH AS SHOWN PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 2 PAGE 46 OF MAPS ON FILE AT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES RECORDER'S OFFICE.

AS SHOWN ON SURVEY PLAT EXHIBIT "B" AND MADE A PART HEREIN.

CONTAINING: ±1,890 SQFT

SUBJECT TO EASEMENTS, COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESTRICTIONS, RESERVATIONS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, AND OTHER MATTERS OF RECORD, IF ANY.

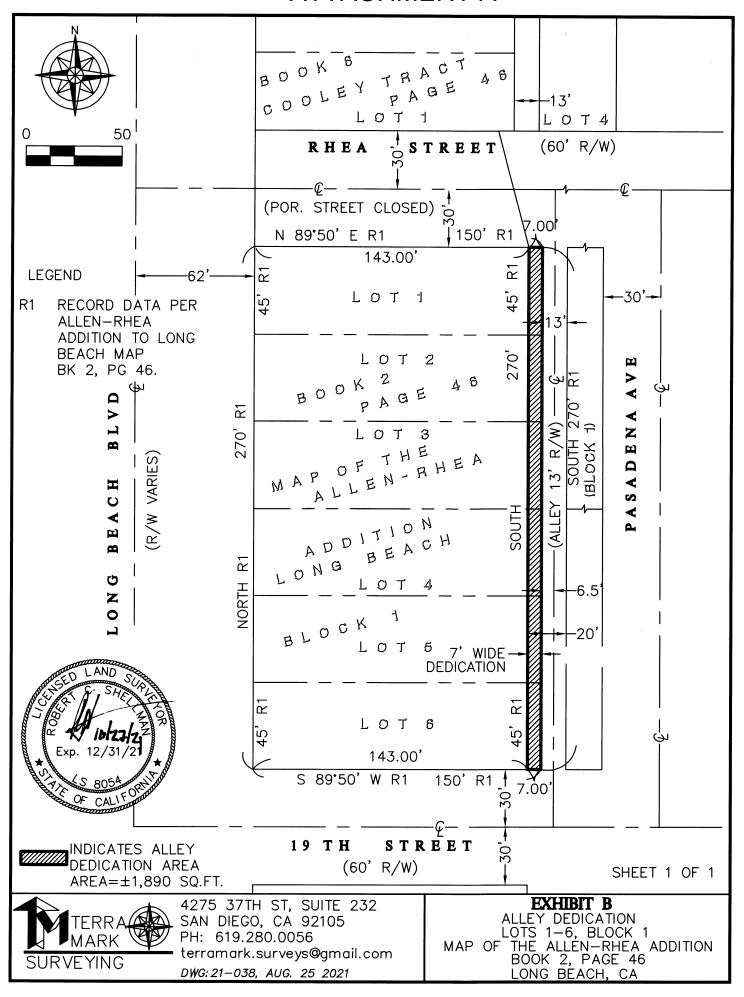
END OF DESCRIPTION



10/27/21

ROBERT SHELLMAN, PLS 8054 TERRAMARK SURVEYING INC. DATE

ATTACHMENT A





ATTACHMENT B CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

333 West Ocean Blvd., 5th Floor

Long Beach, CA 90802

(562) 570-6194

FAX (562) 570-6068

PLANNING BUREAU

October 23, 2017

Ms. Rebecca F. Clark, President & CEO LINC Housing Corporation 555 E. Ocean Boulevard, Suite 900 Long Beach, CA 90802

Re:

The Spark at Midtown (Application No. 1709-32)

1900-1940 Long Beach Boulevard Entitlements and CEQA Determination

Ms. Clark,

On Thursday, October 19, 2017, the Planning Commission of the City of Long Beach acted to unanimously approve Application No. 1709-32 for a site plan review for The Spark at Midtown project. The Planning Commission determined the project to be within the scope of the Midtown Specific Plan Environmental Impact Report (MSP EIR) (State Clearinghouse No. 2015031034) and warrants no further environmental review pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines Section 15162. The approval is subject to a 10-day appeal period which ends on Monday, October 30, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. No further entitlement approvals are necessary for this project.

The Spark at Midtown project consists of a 121,947 square-foot building for mixed-use. The ground floor of the building consists of 12,388 square feet of commercial/retail area. Residential uses will consist of 95 units (including 47 one-, 24 two-, and 24 three-bedroom units), common community space, and laundry facilities. Parking will be provided in one podium-level and one subterranean garage and will consist of 115 residential and 25 commercial parking spaces.

CEQA Determination

The MSP EIR was certified and adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach in June 2016. The Spark at Midtown project has been reviewed in compliance with CEQA and qualifies for an exemption from additional environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15162 and 15183. In accordance with CEQA guidelines Section 15162, the proposed project has been analyzed and it has been determined that the project would not result in new environmental impacts not previously identified in the MSP EIR.

Sincerely,

Alexis Oropeza Senior Planner



Dean C. Logan, Registrar – Recorder/County Clerk

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UNTIL __December 04 2017

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NUTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO: Office of Planning/Research 1400 Tenth St., Room 121 Sacramento, CA 95814

Office of the County Clerk
 Environmental Filings
 12400 E. Imperial Hwy.
 Norwalk, CA 90650

From: Long Beach Development Services Dept. 333 W. Ocean Blvd., Planning Bureau, 5th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

Spark at Midtown (Application No. 1709-32) – Midtown Specific Plan project (SCH No. 2015031034)						
Project 7	litle					
2	2015031034	Alexis Oropeza	(562) 570-6413			
State Clearinghouse Number (If submitted to Clearinghouse)		Lead Agency Contact Person	Area Code/Telephone			
1900-194	40 Long Beach Blvd, Long Beach, L	os Angeles County				
Project	Location (include county)					
Linc Hou	using Corp.					
Project	Applicant					
Project Description: The project consists of a 5-story mixed-use building with approximately 12,388 square feet of retail on the ground floor and 95 dwelling units located on floors above. The building would be constructed on an existing parcel previously developed with commercial uses, in the Midtown Specific Plan District (SP-1). The Midtown Specific Plan was analyzed as part of the an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (State Clearinghouse No. 2015031034) certified by the Long Beach City Council in June of 2016. The proposed project has been analyzed in accordance with the Final EIR for the Midtown Specific Plan and will not result in any new significant impacts not previously identified.						
This is to advise that the Long Beach Planning Commission has carried out the above-described project on $\underline{\text{October 19, 2017}}$ and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:						
1. The	project [will _X_ will not] have a	ny new significant effects on th	ne environment.			
	An Environmental Impact Report QA. Final EIR (SCH NO. 2015031034) v) was previously prepared pursuant to the provisions of h City Council in June of 2016.			
	A Negative Declaration was prepare	ed pursuant to the provisions o	f CEQA.			
	gation Measures [were _X_ were gation Measures were adopted as part of		approval of the project. e Midtown Specific Plan (SCH NO. 2015031034).			
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5. A St	atement of Overriding Considerations [wasXwas not] ad	dopted for this project.			
6. Find	ings [X were were not] mad	le pursuant to the provisions of	CEQA.			

This is to certify that no further environmental review is required pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15183 as the project (Application No. 1709-32) is consistent with the certified FEIR that was adopted for the Midtown Specific Plan.

The previously certified FEIR for the Midtown Specific Plan (SCH NO. 2015031034), the Environmental Compliance Checklist for Application No. 1709-32 and record of project approval is available for review to the General Public at: **Department of Development Services. 333 W. Ocean Blvd..** 5th Floor. Long Beach. CA 90802

Signature (Public Agency)

Nagly Title: Senior Planner

Date: October 30, 2017

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Benn C. Lagan, Registrar - Recorder/County Clark

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May 25 2016

June 24 2016



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From: Long Beach Development Services Dept. 333 W. Ocean Blvd., Planning Bureau, 5th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

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Environmental Impact Report (EIR 04-15) for the Midtown Specific Plan

Project Title

2015031034

Craig Chalfant

(562) 570-6368

State Clearinghouse Number (If submitted to Clearinghouse)

Lead Agency Contact Person Area Code/Telephone

City of Long Beach, Development Services Department, Planning Bureau, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, 5th Floor, Long Beach, CA 90802

Project Applicant

Project Location: Los Angeles County, City of Long Beach, the Project Area (generally situated east of Pacific Avenue, west of Atlantic Avenue, north of Anaheim Street, and south of Wardlow Road) is a corridor along Long Beach Boulevard just north of downtown Long Beach and consists of two areas: the Midtown Specific Plan area and an area outside of, but adjacent to the Midtown Specific Plan. The Midtown Specific Plan area spans approximately 369 acres from Anaheim Street to Wardlow Road along Long Beach Boulevard. The area outside the Midtown Specific Plan covers approximately four acres around Officer Black Park (west of Pasadena Avenue between 21st Street and 20th Street). Both areas make up the Project Site and together, comprise 373 acres spanning from Anaheim Street to Wardlow Road.

Project Description: The Proposed Project analyzed in the DEIR consists of adoption of the Midtown Specific Plan (Midtown Specific Plan area) and extraction of the two residential blocks around Officer Black Park from PD-29 (area outside the Midtown Specific Plan) and retention of the underlying conventional zoning designations already in place for these two residential blocks. The Proposed Project also includes the closure of a few roadway segments that intersect with Long Beach Boulevard. Each of the project areas and components is described below.

Midtown Specific Plan Area: The Midtown Specific Plan provides a framework for the development and improvement of a 369-acre corridor along Long Beach Boulevard. The Specific Plan acts as a bridge between the Long Beach General Plan and development that would occur within the Midtown Specific Plan area. The Midtown Specific Plan area currently contains just under 1,900 residential units and a little over 2.6 million square feet of commercial and employment uses, as well as medical facilities with over 950 licensed hospital beds and three hotels with approximately 200 hotel rooms. The Midtown Specific Plan would increase the number of permitted residential units within the Midtown Specific Plan area to just over 3,600 units—approximately 1,700 more than existing conditions but about 2,200 less than would be allowed under the current PD-29 zoning. The Midtown Specific Plan would also increase potential commercial and employment building square footage to just over 2.9 million square feet (a net increase of almost 369,000 square feet over existing conditions), concentrating and intensifying development at key transit and employment nodes. The buildout projections also assume a small increase in the number of licensed hospital beds (27 beds) and the addition of a business hotel with up to 81 hotel rooms.

Area Outside the Midtown Specific Plan: As stated above, the Proposed Project includes an area outside of, but adjacent to the Midtown Specific Plan boundary; the area comprises approximately four acres around Officer Black Park. Existing land uses within this area consists of 76 dwelling units and 11,346 square feet associated with the existing church; this area also contains Office Black Park. Under the Proposed Project, the two residential blocks around Officer Black Park would be extracted from PD 29 and retain its underlying conventional zoning designations, which include Single-Family Residential, standard lot (R-1-N); Three-Family Residential (R-3-S); and Park (P). The proposed extraction would not require

an amendment to the City's zoning map, as the underlying conventional zoning designations are already in place. With the exception of the zoning designation revisions that would be undertaken, no physical change (e.g., additional development intensity, redevelopment) is expected to occur within this area and all existing uses are expected to remain.

Roadway Segment Closures: The Proposed Project also includes the closure of the following roadway segments to vehicular traffic in order to create parklets (small street parks): 25th Street west of Long Beach Boulevard; 25th Street east of Long Beach Boulevard; 23rd Street west of Long Beach Boulevard; 21st Street west of Long Beach Boulevard; 21st Street east of Long Beach Boulevard; Rhea Street east of Long Beach Boulevard; 15th Street east of Long Beach Boulevard; 15th Street east of Long Beach Boulevard; and 14th Street east of Long Beach Boulevard.

This is to advise that the Long Beach City Council has carried out the above-described project on <u>May 24, 2016</u> and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project:

1.	The project [X will will not] have a significant effect on the environment.			
2.	 An Environmental Impact Report was prepared pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. Certified by the Long Beach City Council on May 24, 2016 			
3.	Mitigation Measures [X_ were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.			
4.	A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program [X was was not] adopted for this project.			
5.	A Statement of Overriding Considerations [X was was not] adopted for this project.			
6.	Findings [X were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.			
This is to certify that the Environmental Impact Report record is available for review to the General Public at: Department of Development Services. 333 W. Ocean Blvd., 5 th Floor, Long Beach, CA 90802 5/24//6				
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Applicant Name and Address:

City of Long Beach 333 W. Ocean Blvd., 5th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

CEQA Lead Agency: City of Long Beach

Project Name: Midtown Specific Plan Project

CEQA Document Type: Environmental Impact Report

State Clearing House Number and/or local agency ID number: SCH No. 2015031034

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Project Location: The project area (generally situated east of Pacific Avenue, west of Atlantic Avenue, north of Anaheim Street, and south of Wardlow Road) is just north of downtown Long Beach and consists of two areas: the Midtown Specific Plan area and one area outside of, but adjacent to the Midtown Specific Plan boundary. The Midtown Specific Plan area spans approximately 369 acres from Anaheim Street on the south to Wardlow Road on the north. The area outside the Midtown Specific Plan area covers approximately four acres around Officer Black Park (west side of Pasadena Avenue between 20th and 21st Street). Both of these areas make up the project area and together comprise 373 acres spanning the Long Beach Boulevard corridor area from Anaheim Street to the south to Wardlow Road to the north.

Project Description: The Midtown Specific Plan provides a framework for the development and improvement of a 369-acre corridor along Long Beach Boulevard. The Specific Plan acts as a bridge between the Long Beach General Plan and development that would occur within the Midtown Specific Plan area. The Midtown Specific Plan area currently contains just under 1,900 residential units and a little over 2.6 million square feet of commercial and employment uses, as well as medical facilities with over 950 licensed hospital beds and three hotels with approximately 200 hotel rooms. The Midtown Specific Plan would increase the number of permitted residential units within the Midtown Specific Plan area to just over 3,600 units, approximately 1,700 more units than under existing conditions but about 2,200 less units than what would be allowed under the current PD-29 zoning. The Midtown Specific Plan would also increase potential commercial and employment building square footage to just over 2.9 million square feet (a net increase of almost 369,000 square feet over existing conditions), concentrating development at key transit and employment nodes. Under this project, two residential blocks around Officer Black Park would be extracted from PD-29 and retain its conventional zoning designations, which include Single Family Residential (R-1-N), Three-Family Residential (R-3-S), and Park (P). With the exception of the zoning designation revisions that would be undertaken, no physical change is expected to occur within these two residential blocks and all existing uses are expected to remain.

The project also includes the closure of the following road segments to create park lets (small street parks): 25th Street east and west of Long Beach Blvd., 23rd Street east and west of Long Beach Blvd., 21st Street east and west of Long Beach Blvd., Rhea Street east of Long Beach Blvd., Esther Street east of Long Beach Blvd., 15th Street east and west of Long Beach Blvd., and 14th Street east of Long Beach Blvd.

Craig Chalfant City of Long Beach March 25, 2016 Page 2 of 2

Determination: Based on a review of the project as proposed, the Department of Fish and Wildlife has determined that for purposes of the assessment of CEQA filing fees (Fish and Game Code [FGC] Section 711.4(c)) the project has no effect on fish, wildlife or their habitat and the project as described does not require payment of a CEQA filing fee. This determination does not in any way imply that the project is exempt from CEQA and does not determine the significance of any potential project effects evaluated pursuant to CEQA.

Please retain this original determination for your records. Local lead agencies are required to file two copies of this determination with the county clerk at time of filing of the Notice of Determination (NOD) after the project is approved. State lead agencies are required to file two copies of this determination with the Office of Planning and Research (State Clearinghouse) at the time of filing the NOD. If you do not file a copy of this determination as appropriate with the county clerk or State Clearinghouse at the time of filing of the NOD, the appropriate CEQA filing fee will be due and payable.

Without a valid CEQA Filing Fee No Effect Determination form or proof of fee payment, the project will not be operative, vested, or final and any local permits issued for the project will be invalid, pursuant to FGC Section 711.4(c)(3).

DFW Approved By:

Eszatet Harris

Scott P. Harris Date: 03/25/2016

Title: Environmental Scientist

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2017 ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

201711031240031 STATE CLEARING HOUSE # (If applicable) SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY **LEAD AGENCY** DATE LONG BEACH DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES DEPT. 11/03/2017 COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING DOCUMENT NUMBER LACC 2017318652 PROJECT TITLE SPARK AT MIDTOWN (APPLICATION NO. 1709-32) - MIDTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN PROJECT (SCH NO. 2015031034) PROJECT APPLICANT NAME PHONE NUMBER ALEXIS OROPEZA (562)570-6413 PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP CODE 333 W. OCEAN BLVD. 5TH FLOOR LONG BEACH CA 90802 PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box): ✓ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity **CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:** ☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$3,078.25 0.00 ☐ Negative Declaration (ND)(MND) \$2,216.25 0.00 ☐ Application Fee Water Diversion (State Water Resources Control Board Only) \$850.00 0.00 ☐ Projects Subject to Certified Regulatory Programs (CRP) \$1,046.50 0.00 ☑ County Administrative Fee \$50.00 75.00 Project that is exempt from fees Notice of Exemption CDFW No Effect Determination (Form Attached) ☐ Other _ 0.00 **PAYMENT METHOD:** 75.00 ☐ Credit ☐ Cash $\sqrt{}$ Checl Other SIGNATURE TITLE X

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